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**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the non-final Office Action mailed on September 22, 2006, a reply to which is due no later than March 22, 2007. **This paper is also intended to replace the response previous mailed by Applicants on February 15, 2007. With this replacement response, the claims originally indicated as withdrawn by Applicants are expressly cancelled, in order not to incur in additional fees with respect to the claims added herewith.** The Commissioner is authorized to charge a 2-month extension fee to deposit account no. 50-0922. Please consider the following amendments and remarks with respect to the subject application. All amendments and remarks are made without prejudice. In particular, the canceled claims are canceled without prejudice to present those claims in any application related with the present one.

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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